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HONGKONG: INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the Daily Balance.

On fixed deposit:—
For 12 months 5% p.a.
" 6 " 4% " "
" 3 " 3% " "
TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 31st October, 1907. [17]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

FISCAL AGENTS OF THE UNITED STATES
IN CHINA, THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS AND
THE REPUBLIC OF PANAMA.

CAPITAL PAID UP GOLD \$3,250,000
ABOUT MEX \$5,000,000
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ABOUT MEX \$5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE:

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LONDON BANKERS:

BANK OF ENGLAND.

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF

ENGLAND, LIMITED.

THE CAPITAL AND COUNTIES BANK, LTD.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE

WORLD.

THE Corporation transacts every Description

of Banking and Exchange Business,

receives Money in Current Account at the

rate of 2% per annum on daily balances and ac-

cepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—

For 12 months 4% per cent. per annum.

6 " 3 " " "

3 " 2 " " "

No. 9, Queen's Road Central,

Hongkong.

W. M. ANDERSON,

Manager.

Hongkong, 24th July, 1907. [18]

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP...Sh. Tael 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES:

Berlin, Calcutta, Hamburg, Hankow,

Kobe, Peking, Singapore, Tientsin,

Tientsin, Tientsin, Yokohama.

FOUNDED BY THE FOLLOWING BANKS AND

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Staatsbank)

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THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK

LIMITED.

DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENT

DIRECTOR DER DISCONT-GESellschaft

INTEREST allowed on Current Account

DEPOSITS received on terms which may be

learned on application. Every description of

Banking and Exchange business transacted.

F. JUNG,

Manager.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1907. [21]

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL-MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(Netherlands Trading Society.)

ESTABLISHED 1824.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Fl. 15,000,000 (£3,250,000).

RESERVE FUND Fl. 5,378,375

(about £1,148,000).

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.

Head Agency: BATAVIA.

BRANCHES: Singapore, Penang, Shanghai,

Rangoon, Sumatra, Sourabaya, Cheribon,

Tegal, Pacaloppan, Pasoeroean, Tjilatjap,

Padang, Medan (Deli), Palembang, Kota-

Radja (Achear), Baudjerman, Colom-

bo, Madras, Pondicherry, Calcutta, Ban-

gkok, Singapore, Haiphong, Hanoi, Amoy,

Yokohama, Kobe, Melbourne, Sydney,

New York, San Francisco, &c.

LONDON BANKERS:

THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S

BANK, LIMITED.

THE Bank buys and sells and receives for

collection Bills of Exchange, issues

Letters of Credit payable in all important places

of the world and transacts every description of

Banking and Exchange business.

On Current Account at the rate of 2% per annum

on the daily balances.

On Fixed Deposits: 12 months 4% per annum

" 6 " 3% " "

" 3 " 2% " "

J. BOETTJE,

Manager.

16, Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, 18th November, 1907. [20]

Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUNDS:—

Sterling \$1,000,000 at 2/3 = \$10,000,000

Silver \$1,750,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

G. H. Medhurst, Esq., Chairman.

Hon. Mr. Henry Keswick, Deputy Chairman.

A. Fuchs, Esq., E. Shilling, Esq.

K. Goetz, Esq., R. Shewan, Esq.

A. Haupt, Esq., H. A. W. Slade, Esq.

C. R. Lehmann, Esq., H. K. Tomkins, Esq.

A. J. Raymond, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:

Hongkong: J. R. M. SMITH.

MANAGER:

Shanghai: H. E. R. HUNTER.

LONDON BANKERS: LONDON AND COUNTY

BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG: INTEREST ALLOWED:

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.

per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 12 months, 4% per cent. per Annum.

For 6 months, 3% per cent. per Annum.

For 3 months, 2% per cent. per Annum.

J. R. M. SMITH,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 19th August, 1907. [21]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted

by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI

BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be

obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3% per

cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option

balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND

SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED

DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI

BANKING CORPORATION,

J. R. M. SMITH,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. [22]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1813.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £800,000

Shortly to be increased to £1,200,000

RESERVE FUND £1,075,000

Shortly to be increased to £1,475,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £800,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT

ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 per cent. per

annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4% per cent.

" 6 " 3% " "

" 3 " 2% " "

JOHN ARMSTRONG,

Manager.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1907. [23]

NEDERLANDSCH-INDISCHE HANDELS BANK.

(NETHERLANDS INDIA COMMERCIAL BANK.)

ESTABLISHED 1863.

Authorized Capital Fl. 15,000,000 (£3,250,000).

Subscribed Capital Fl. 10,000,000 (Paid-up)

Reserve Fund Fl. 2,112,570.35 (£476,048)

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.

Sub-Office: THE HAGUE.

Head Agency: BATAVIA.

BRANCHES: At Singapore, Sourabaya, Sama-

rang, Indramajoe, Bandoeang and Welte-

vreden.

CORRESPONDENTS: At Canton, Tegal, Peca-

longan, Macassar, Pontiana, Padang,

Medan, Penang, Rangoon, Calcutta, Bom-

bay, Madras, Colombo, Karachi, Djeddah,

Bangkok, Saigon, Shanghai, &c.

BANKERS:

London: The Williams Descaens Bank, Ltd.

(Swiss Bankverein).

Paris: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris.

Berlin: Deutsche Bank.

Brussels: Banque de Paris et des Pays Bas.

Vienna: Union Bank.

Rome: Banca Commerciale Italiana.

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J. BOETTJE,

Manager.

16, Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, 18th November, 1907. [20]

Notice of Firm.

INTERNATIONAL SLEEPING CAR

and

EXPRESS TRAINS CO.

(THE

GREAT TRANS-SIBERIAN ROUTE

TO EUROPE.)

HAVING been appointed AGENTS for

the above Company, we shall be

pleased to give any information as to rates of

passage, &c., in connection with above.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 31st July, 1907. [107]

Mails.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS
SHANGHAI	DELTA	About 29th Nov.	Freight and Passage
LONDON, &c., via usual ports	DEVANHA	30th Nov.	See Special Advertisement
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PESHAWAR	About 1st Dec.	Freight only
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	NORE	About 4th Dec.	Freight and Passage
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ILE	About 8th Dec.	Freight and Passage

For further particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1907. [2]

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

NEW STOCK OF

COAL VASES

IN

Brass, Iron, and Copper.

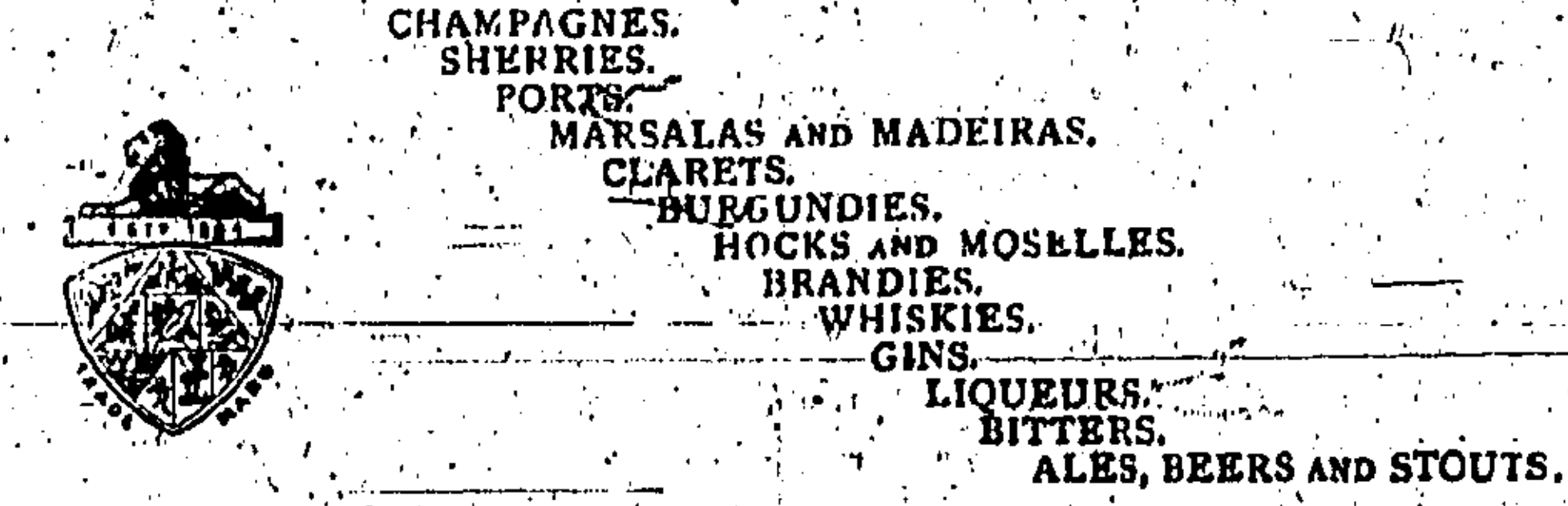
BRASS & IRON CURB SUITES.

FIRE IRONS. FIRE BRASSES.

COAL VASE TONGS.

FIRE SCREENS. FIRE GUARDS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. [8]



Telephone No. 75.

CALDBECK MACGREGOR & CO.,

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

15, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 31st October, 1907. [18]

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY.

LIMITED.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

On SUNDAY, the 1st December,

THE Company's Steamship

"SUI-AN"

will depart from DOUGLAS WHARF at 9 A.M.

Returning from Macao at 5 P.M.

Meals and Refreshments supplied on board.

Saloon, Return Fare \$4.00

on the following day 5.00

Single 2.00

Popular Excursion Rates as usual.

Children under 12 years Half Price.

NO CHITS will be accepted, and servants' passage must be paid for.

N.B.—The Company also runs a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 A.M., and from Hongkong at 1.15 P.M. from the Company's Wharf. This steamer connects with the steamer from Macao.

W. E. CLARKE,

Secretary.

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM," 2,363 tons, Captain H. D. Jones.
 "POWAN," 2,338 " " " " H. L. Black.
 "FATSHAN," 2,360 " " " " C. V. Lloyd.
 "KINSHAN," 1,995 " " " " B. Branch.
 "HEUNGSHAN," 1,998 " " " " R. D. Thomas.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted), to P.M. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at 8 A.M. and 5 P.M. (Sunday excepted). The S.S. "POWAN" will leave Hongkong every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9 P.M. from Queen Street Wharf West, returning from Canton every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 5:30 P.M.

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloons and Cabin Accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "SUI-AN," 1,651 tons, Captain W. A. Valentine.
 "SUI-TAI," 1,651 " " " " C. F. Morrison.

Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 8 A.M. from DOUGLAS WHARF and at 2 P.M. from the COMPANY'S WHARF.

On Sundays Special Cheap Excursions leaving Hongkong at 9 A.M. from DOUGLAS WHARF and from Macao at 5 P.M.

The Company also runs a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7:30 A.M. and from Hongkong at 1 P.M. from the Company's wharf.

Departures from Macao to Hongkong on week days at 7:30 A.M. and 2 P.M.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN," 2,119 tons, Captain R. Ramsay.
 Departures from Macao to Canton on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9 P.M.
 Departures from Canton to Macao on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 5 P.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K. & C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDU-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 1,588 tons, Captain S. Bell Smith.
 "NANNING," 1,509 " " " " Mackinnon.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8:30 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. Hotel Macao, (First Floor), opposite the Hongkong Hotel, Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1907.

WEST RIVER BRITISH STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.

HONGKONG-WUCHOW LINE.

THE Steamers

"LIN-TAN" and "SAN-UI"
 SAIL FROM HONGKONG TWICE A WEEK AND COMPLETE THE ROUND TRIP IN 6 DAYS.
 These steamers have Excellent Cabin Accommodation, and are Lighted Throughout by Electricity.
 THE CLIMATE ON THE WEST RIVER DURING THE WINTER MONTHS IS VERY FINE AND EXHILARATING.

For further information apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS, WEST RIVER BRITISH S.S. COMPANIES.

Hongkong, 2nd November, 1907.

IMPERIAL BREWING COMPANY, LIMITED.

PURE CREAM BEER.

For samples and prices please apply to

WINE GROWERS SUPPLY CO. BARRETTO & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd October, 1907.

REGULAR HONGKONG-CANTON LINE OF STEAMERS

OF THE

COMPAGNIE FRANCAISE DES INDES ET DE L'EXTREME ORIENT.

S.S. "PAUL BEAD," 1,900 tons, 14 knots.
 S.S. "CHARLES HARDOUIN," 1,900 tons, 14 knots.

The speediest, most luxuriously appointed and punctual steamers on the line. Departure from Hongkong at 9:30 P.M. (Saturdays excepted). Departure from Canton at 5:15 P.M. (Sundays excepted).

These superb steamers carrying the French Mail are fitted throughout with Electric Light and Fans and were specially built for this trade. Excellent cuisine. The Company's Wharf is at the end of Wing Lok Street (Tram Station). Canton Agents—Messrs. E. Pasquet & Co. For further particulars, please apply to—

BARRETTO & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1907.

Hotel.

KOWLOON HOTEL, HONGKONG.

NEEDS NO ADVERTISING.

World-Wide Reputation.
 The only First-class Hotel in Kowloon.
 Most Charming and Popular Resort in the Colony.
 Electric Lights, Fans and Call Bells.
 Bath-rooms attached to each Room.

Telephone Address:
 "CHEF" HONGKONG.
 Telephone No. 14.

Unrivalled for Comfort and Cuisine.
 Thoroughly Up to Date with Every Modern Luxury.
 Billiards and Bowling Alleys.
 Moderate Terms and No Extra.
 Modern Management.

O. E. OWEN,
 Proprietor.
 1908

Intimation.

THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside 514 ft. Width of entrance, top 25 ft.; bottom 75 ft. Water on blocks, 27.6 ft. Time to pump out, 4 hours.

No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft. Width of entrance, top 30.5 ft. bottom 45.8 ft. Water on blocks, 28.5 ft. Time to pump out, 3 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Tugboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be guaranteed.

The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that of any port in the world.

Telephone: Nos. 376, 108, or 681.

Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. B. C. 4th and 5th Ed.

Liebers, Scotts, A. I. and Watkins.

Yokohama, May 23rd, 1905.

Mails.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

FOR

STEAMERS

TO SAIL

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE } "YORCK" About WEDNESDAY, the 4th Dec, 1907.

NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIER, } "PRINCESS ALICE" WEDNESDAY, 4th Dec, 1907.

MANILA, NEWGUINEA, BRIS- } "PRINCE SIGISMUND" THURSDAY, 5 P.M., 5th Dec, 1907.

KUDAT and SANDAKAN } "BORNEO" Middle of Dec, 1907.

EXTRA STEAMER.

EUROPE VIA PORTS OF CALL "SACHSEN" About WEDNESDAY, 25th Dec, 1907.

For further Particulars, apply to

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELOHRS & CO.,

GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG & CHINA.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1907.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN JAVA, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

Steamer.	From.	On or about	Will leave for	Expected on or about
TIKINI	JAVA	First half Dec.	JAPAN	First half Dec.
JIIPANAS	JAVA	First half Dec.	JAVA PORTS	First half Dec.
TJILIWONG.	JAPAN	Second half Dec.	JAVA PORTS	Second half Dec.
TJIMAH	JAPAN	First half Jan.	JAVA PORTS	First half Jan.
TJIBODAS	JAVA	First half Jan.	JAPAN	First half Jan.
TJILATJAP	JAPAN	Second half Jan.	JAVA PORTS	Second half Jan.

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have Accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands India Ports through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Telephone No. 375,
 YORK BUILDINGS, 1st floor,
 Hongkong, 27th November, 1907.

Dentistry.

TSIN TING.

LATEST METHODS OF DENTISTRY.

STUDIO AT NO. 14, D'AGUIAR STREET.

REASONABLE FEE.

Consultation Free.

Ho Chung, 20th June, 1905.

Dr. M. H. CHAUN.

THE LATEST METHOD

OF THE

AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY

35, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1905.

SIGNALLING APPROACHING VESSELS.

RADICAL CHANGE IN ARRANGEMENTS.

Radical alterations were made last year in the arrangements for signalling the approach of vessels to Hongkong, which involved very extensive alterations, and additions to the telegraph and telephone lines in use for this purpose. Formerly, Gap Rock and Waglan Lightships and the Peak Signal Station were in communication with the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co.'s office, which was in turn connected with the Harbour Office and the Observatory, whilst Green Island Signal Station was connected with the Harbour Office. This arrangement has been altered by establishing a telegraph and telephone office in the new Harbour Office and concentrating all lines there; the only line which is now connected with the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co.'s office being that from the Observatory. The reason for retaining it is that weather reports are received by cable from the various meteorological stations in Manila, Shanghai and elsewhere, and it is important that these should be transmitted to the Observatory in the most direct manner possible. The following places are now in direct communication with the Harbour Office:—

(i) Gap Rock Lightship.....(telegraph)
 (ii) Waglan Lightship.....(do.)
 (iii) Cape Collinson Lightship.....(do.)
 (iv) Green Island Lightship.....(do.)
 (v) Peak Signal Station.....(do.)
 (vi) Observatory.....(do.)
 (vii) Naval Yard.....(telephone)

Of the above, items (iii), (vi), and (vii) are entirely new lines, the remainder being old lines which were extended or altered to bring the places mentioned into direct communication with the Harbour Office. The Signal Station and Gunpowder Depot on Green Island are served by branch lines from the lightship there.

In addition to the foregoing, telephone lines were constructed placing the Naval Yard in direct communication with the Signal Stations at the Peak and at Cape D'Aguiar, which, by arrangement with the Naval authorities, are now manned by expert naval signalmen.

EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS IN CALABRIA.

OVER 600 KILLED AND 1,000 INJURED.

Rome, October 25.

The loss of life due to the earthquake in Calabria is far greater than was at first reported. In Ferruzzano hardly a building has been left standing, and it is thought that the dead will number about 300, while in all about a thousand persons have been injured.

The battleship Umberto has proceeded to Reggio di Calabria and Gerace Marina to help the distressed inhabitants. The Director of State Railways has ordered building material and provision destined for the sufferers to be conveyed free at express speed to the distressed district.

A telegram to the "Gloria" from Reggio di Calabria says: "The inhabitants have been camping out in the open air, the more fortunate taking refuge in public or private vehicles or making impromptu tents out of rugs and blankets, and in some cases lighting fires. Carabiniers and soldiers are patrolling the streets doing the best they can for the poor people and sharing their preserved meat with them."

OVER 600 VICTIMS.
 "The authorities are in permanent session at the Prefecture. It is feared that the total number of victims will amount to 600. The state of things in the province of Reggio is an appalling one indeed. In the districts where the visitation was most severe even houses which remain intact are empty, because their occupants, fearing further shocks, will not return to them."

"In the town of Reggio itself but few of the inhabitants slept in their houses at night. The soldiers are behaving with splendid courage and self-sacrifice."

The earthquake caused considerable damage at Brancalona, where the inhabitants are camped out in the open air. A fine rain is falling, and the sea is rough.

Immediately news arrived of the destruction of Ferruzzano, the squadron went there to render assistance. They found that practically the whole district was in ruins. There was no trace of roads, but devastation everywhere. Nine persons were rescued by the ships, and a number of dead bodies were recovered.

DIGGING OUT THE BODIES.
 A company of infantry is proceeding with the work of digging out bodies. As soon as materials arrive dwellings will be erected for the inhabitants of Brancalona, and for those who have fled from the districts where the damage is particularly heavy.

Signor Lacava, Minister of Finance, has left for Ferruzzano, and two companies of infantry are on their way to the same place.

King Victor Emmanuel has given 100,000 lire (24,000) for distribution among the sufferers.

The Pope has sent 50,000 lire (12,500) to the bishops in Calabria for the relief of sufferers from the earthquake, with an intimation that he will give a further sum if required.

Thanks to the energy and devotion of the officials sent by the Government and hard work done by the troops, a splendid start has already been made with the construction of shelter and the evacuation of dangerous dwellings. So far, no damage has been reported to the railways and public works.—*Reuter.*

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD., have now 40,000 cubic feet of COL. STORAGE available at East Point. Storage will be Open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily Sunday excepted, to receive and deliver perishable goods.

W. M. PARLANE, Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd June, 1905.

To Let.

TO LET.

OFFICES on TOP FLOOR, No. 2, COM-
 MODORE ROAD, facing the Clock
 Tower.
 HATHERLEIGH, Condell Road.
 A HOUSE in CLINTON GARDENS, Con-
 dell Road.
 OFFICES in YORK BUILDING.
 GODOWNS in PRAYA EAST, BLUE
 BUILDINGS, and No. 165, DES VOUX
 ROAD next to the Hongkong Hotel.
 FLATS in MORTON TERRACE.
 Apply to—
 THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
 MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
 Hongkong, 21st November, 1907.

TO LET.

A HOUSE in KNUTSFORD TERRACE,
 KOWLOON.
 Apply to—
 THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
 MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
 Hongkong, 1st November, 1907.

TO LET.

NO. 11, SEYMOUR ROAD.
 With possession from 1st December next.
 Apply to—
 THE COMPRADORE DEPARTMENT,
 Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
 Connaught Road Central.
 Hongkong, 22nd October, 1907.

TO LET.

NO. 38, CAINE ROAD.
 AUCTION ROOMS, No. 2, ZETLAND
 STREET.
 No. 2, FAIRVIEW, ROBINSON ROAD,
 Kowloon.
 Apply to—
 L'RIGH & ORANGE,
 1, Des Voux Road.
 Hongkong, 16th October, 1907.

TO LET.

NO. 5, MORRISON HILL.
 ONE FOUR-ROOMED HOUSE, at
 PRAYA EAST, near East Point.
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MARRIAGE.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1907.

THE PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT.

There is an old Scotch Jacobite song which has the refrain, "Oh, buy, ye've been lang o' comin', lang, lang, lang o' comin'," and the Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G., Director of Public Works, will understand best of all to what we allude. It is now approaching the last month of the year of grace, 1907; and we are favoured with the report on the labours of the Public Works Department for 1906. It is useless to dwell on the point, but it certainly reads like ancient history when every other paragraph in the report refers to the typhoon of the 18th September, 1906, the havoc it wrought and the expense it entailed. Undoubtedly the Public Works Department is the hardest worked of any in the service, and the Director is perhaps the most painstaking, but with all deference we might be permitted to hint that a report which appears a year after the event is just a trifle belated. Still it has arrived and, when all is said and done, that is the main thing to be considered. It appears that while something like \$2,584,796 was voted by the Legislative Council under the Estimates, and supplementary votes, the actual expenditure amounted to \$2,746,734. On the item of "Personal emoluments and other charges" a saving of practically \$80,000 was effected due, we are told, to the rise in exchange, the Estimates having been prepared in 1905 on the basis of a 18 8d dollar, whereas the average actual rate was 2s 1d. If the Estimates for 1908 had been based on the same conservative principle the result might have proved more economical for the public exchequer, especially as the dollar seems to be on the verge of falling below the 2s standard. Towards what is called "Annually recurrent works" a total sum of \$412,250 was voted, but of that there was spent merely \$379,797; while for "Extraordinary works" a grant of \$1,889,524 was made, although the Department only managed to expend \$1,463,868. It is explained that the expenditure fell much below the estimates in regard to the Law Courts (\$37,309.88), Post Office (\$87,939.14), Prison (\$40,000), New roads in Kowloon (\$2,190.75), Permanent marks for traverse survey points in New Territories (\$11,000.00), Reinforced concrete piers

(\$18,781.07), Sanitary property resumption (\$12,066.62), Kowloon waterworks (\$31,082.83) and Reconstruction of No. 2 tank (\$5,493.95). As regards the item "Prison," the report states, "instructions were received that no expenditure was to be incurred in connection with it and, as regards the item 'New roads in Kowloon,' that a saving of about \$12,000 was to be effected. In the case of the other items mentioned, the savings were mostly due to less progress being made with the works than was anticipated, or to stores ordered from England not arriving in time to be charged against the votes, but, with regard to the last item, it has been considered advisable to adopt another scheme which will probably render it unnecessary to proceed with the reconstruction of No. 2 tank. There was excess expenditure over the new Harbour Office and the Western Market to the amount of over \$19,000, and in the case of the Kowloon-Canton railway to the extent of over \$31,000. The damages caused by the typhoon amounted to nearly \$69,000. The actual expenditure on Public Works Extraordinary, as shown by the statement, fell short of the amount provided in the Estimates by \$97,831.34, but, if the amounts refunded from the Railway Account and obtained from other sources be included, the expenditure only fell short of the estimated amount by \$29,791.57 or less than 2%. Referring once again to the typhoon, we find here for the first time a certain amount of complacency, notwithstanding its effect, for the Director of Public Works remarks: "The disastrous typhoon of the 18th September, though it caused the expenditure of a large sum in repairs to existing works, had the opposite effect as regards works in course of construction, as most of the temporary structures in connection with the same, such as masts, scaffolding, &c., were entirely demolished, progress and expenditure on Public Works Extraordinary being thus diminished." The decrease in the expenditure of the Department in 1906 as compared with that of the previous year was \$31,835, but when one comes to analyse the reasons for the decrease it is obvious that it was due to purely fortuitous causes. Under the heading of "Land sales and surveys," it is recorded that the amount of premium paid into the Treasury during the year was \$320,922.99 or considerably less than the estimate which amounted to \$400,000. It included the following sums: premia derived from the sale of rights to erect piers, \$107,904.53; fees for extra boundary stones to mark lots, \$792. The extensions granted in Hongkong comprised an area of 3,325 square feet at V'anchai, leased to the Hongkong Electric Co. for an extension of their Power Station; two others of 16 and 4,395 square feet respectively adjoining Island Lots 755-57 at Yau Ma Tei, which required some alteration in connection with the scheme of new 100-foot thoroughfares; an area of 76,250 square feet leased to the Dock Co. for an extension of their No. 1 Dock at Hung Hom; another of 10,500 square feet for Marine Lot 83 at Hung Hom, arising from an alteration in the setting out of that lot; and another of 750 square feet granted to the China Light & Power Co. in connection with a re-arrangement of their lots at Hung Hom to suit the railway. Three new piers in Hongkong on long leases were allowed, ten in Kowloon and one in the New Territories, while extensions of three piers formerly sanctioned—two in Hongkong and one in Kowloon—were also granted. The actual amount of building work carried out, we are told, was possibly less than in the previous year although there was a net increase of 377 in the total number of plans submitted for approval, and there was also an increase in the number of Chinese houses erected. The increase in the number of plans submitted was due to the great number of minor alterations of existing buildings which were carried out in consequence of the action of the Sanitary Department in enforcing compliance with the provisions of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance. The number of plans submitted for small alterations continued to increase, and it is worthy of notice that, whilst the total number of plans submitted from January, 1890, to January, 1904 (a period of 14 years) was 3,206, or an average of 227 per annum, the number submitted in the succeeding three years (1904-1906 inclusive) was 4,018, or an average of 1,339 per annum. As the result of the typhoon—which, as already remarked, crops up in every second line—two godowns fell at Kennedy Town and a house at East Point, involving their complete reconstruction; at Kowloon, one godown and four buildings collapsed. Two houses at Wanchai and one at East Point were partially damaged, while the record for Kowloon extends to nearly

half a page of the report. Great havoc was done among the piers, principally along the Western portion of the city front and the West end front of Kowloon. Nine permanent piers and three of a temporary nature in the former district and nine permanent piers in the latter were totally destroyed, whilst nine piers along the city front and four along the Kowloon front were partially destroyed. Nearly the whole extent of the sea wall to the North of the Admiralty property in Kowloon was destroyed and one retaining wall in the city and another in Kowloon collapsed. The following, which appears under the caption of "general remarks," is rather stale news, but it may be useful as a record for generations yet unborn, being indicative of what Hongkong was doing in 1906: The Naval Yard Extension works, and Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's shipyard works were in progress throughout the year. In the case of both undertakings, substantial progress was made. The Hongkong Milling Co.'s new flour mills were completed and started running before the close of the year. The erection of a large block of godowns for the Ocean Steamship Co. on Kowloon Marine Lot 88 was begun, the piling for foundations having been completed. The buildings consist of steel framework, filled in with brickwork, and are the first to be erected in the Colony in which this style of construction has been adopted. The Standard Oil Co.'s large storage depot for oil in bulk on New Kowloon Marine Lot 2 at Lai Chi Kok has made good progress, the erection of the tanks, several of which are 9 feet in diameter, having been commenced. Unfortunately a serious slip occurred of a portion of the sea wall whilst it was in course of erection and it is probable that this will delay the ultimate completion of the work to some extent. The Green Island Cement Company made large extensions to their works on Kowloon Marine Lot 40. The Mid-Hill Hospital (Sharp's Memorial) at Mount Kellett and the Military Hospital above Bowen Road were practically ready for occupation at the close of the year. Details are given of the work done in connection with the repairing and construction of roads in Hongkong and Kowloon, the waterworks, &c. The report is certainly evidence of the activity of the Public Works Department, and Mr. Chatham is to be complimented on the unquestioned efficiency of his staff under his able direction.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

RATINGS have been detailed at the Midway Naval Depot to join the destroyers *Fame* and *Handy* on the China Station.

This death is announced of Colonel Hobart, who saw service during the Indian Mutiny, and subsequently in the China war, being present at the capture of the Taku forts, and the advance on Peking.

This evening, at the Union Church Literary Club, Kennedy Road, the Rev. T. W. Pearce will deliver a lecture on "Light leaves in our local literature." The lecture is open to the public and the chair will be taken at 9 p.m.

DRAFTS of the Royal Engineers, Army Service, Army Ordnance and Royal Army Medical Corps, left Aldershot on 30th ult. for Southampton, to embark on the *Sialia* for Malta, Singapore, Ceylon, and Tientsin. The *Sialia* left yesterday.

THE following officers have been appointed up to date to the *King Alfred*, flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir Arthur W. Moore, K.C.M.G., commanding the China Squadron and Eastern Fleet: Commander M. W. Consett; Lieutenants H. Boucher (navigation officer), S. Moore, R. Janvria; H. Tweedie, L. Shove, P. Spencer, P. Thoyis, and A. Bell; Fleet-Surgeon J. Chambers, R.A., and Surgeons W. P. Walker and W. D. Chilcott.

CHAN YAU, a street coolie, residing at 17, Tai Wong Lane, broke into the masted in which goods belonging to Robinson's Tennis Club, Wanchai Road, are stored, and departed with twenty-three bottles of mineral waters and some crockery to the value of \$15. He was seen leaving by one of the girls. At the Police Court, this morning, Mr. Hazeland sent him to prison for six weeks and six hours' stocks in addition.

IN May last the French cruiser *Chanzy* was wrecked and lost near Shanghai. Her commander, Captain Mauger, went to Shanghai, and a few days later was reported killed in a motor accident. His family went into mourning and sought, without success, to get the body shipped to France. Last month Captain Mauger suddenly reported himself at the Ministry of Marine. It appears that his skull was fractured in the motor accident, and that the doctors telegraphed to Paris that his case was hopeless. He was accordingly given up for dead. He recovered, but getting no instructions, decided to report in Paris. He will now have to appear before a naval court to account for the loss of his vessel.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber this afternoon. Present: His Excellency the Governor, Sir Frederick Lugard, K.C.M.G.; His Excellency Colonel Daillog, K.C. (Officer Commanding the Troops), Hon. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary), Hon. Mr. A. M. Thompson (Colonial Treasurer), Hon. Mr. W. Pees Davies (Attorney General), Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G. (Director of Public Works), Hon. C. B. R. H. Taylor, R.N. (Harbour Master), Hon. Mr. A. W. Brewin (Registrar-General), Hon. Mr. Ho Kai, M.B., C.M.G.; Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt, Hon. Mr. E. Pollock, K.C., Hon. Mr. Henry Keswick, and Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher (Clerk of Council).

PRESENT.
Pon. Mr. E. Osborne.
MINUTES.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

PAPERS.
The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the following papers:—
Report by the Examiners of Queen's College (Sessional Paper No. 39).
Secretary of State's despatch on the services of the Sanitary Commissioners (Sessional Paper No. 40).
Report of the Director of Public Works for 1906 (Sessional Paper No. 41).

FINANCIAL MINUTES.
The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes Nos. 50 to 61. It was agreed that they be referred to the Finance Committee.

The report of the Finance Committee (No. 10) was unanimously adopted.

SANITARY BY-LAWS.
With regard to the proposed amendments to the sanitary by-law which were in the following terms:—

By-law No. 5 of the Domestic Cleanliness and Ventilation By-laws contained in schedule B of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, is hereby amended by adding the following proviso to it:—
"Provided always that the provisions of this by-law shall not apply in the case of domestic buildings within the European Reservations, nor to domestic buildings in Kowloon South of Austin Road, nor to any part of a domestic building used as a shop, office or godown."

The Colonial Secretary said:—I notice with regret that the wrong by-law has been printed and circulated, so I ask that this item stand over.

COMPANIES ORDINANCE.
With reference to the Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend the Law relating to Companies.

The Attorney General said that it might be in the recollection of the Council that the committee stage was adjourned to enable the Government to consider the point raised by the hon. gentleman opposite (Mr. Hewitt) with regard to the Bill. They had had the opportunity of carefully considering the point raised and the conclusion, which they arrived at, was that the objections which he raised were remote. The issue of a licence would be in the discretion of the Government in Council. It was presumed that unless a company had a sufficient number of shareholders it would not ask for a licence. He explained that the licence fees were an annual charge. In order to make the position clear and in order to show that the object of the Bill was to give to companies whose main business was carried on elsewhere the right of obtaining the local register he proposed to add the following proviso:—

"Provided that the company applying for such a licence will satisfy the Governor-in-Council that the principal part of the business of the company is carried on at or near the places where it desires to keep such register."

He trusted that this proviso would meet the wishes of the hon. gentleman. He had had the opportunity of conferring with his hon. and learned friend (Mr. Pollock) and he had certain proposals to make which would clear up certain ambiguities. There were also some minor amendments which he also wished to ask the committee to accept.

The Council went into committee.
The Attorney-General submitted his proviso to section 4 sub-section 1 and it was adopted. Certain minor explanatory amendments were made and the Bill passed through committee.

The Bill was then read a third time and passed.

THE NOTARIES' BILL.
The Attorney-General, with reference to the Bill relating to the appointment of notaries public, I am instructed to state that this Bill was introduced as a non-controversial Bill in view of the opposition which has been raised to its enactment it is not proposed to proceed with it at present.

ANJOURNMENT.
His Excellency—The Council stands adjourned till this day fortnight.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.
A meeting of the Finance Committee was held immediately after the meeting of Council, the Colonial Secretary presiding. It was agreed to recommend that the following votes be adopted by the Council:—

PUBLIC WORKS.
A sum of one hundred and four thousand and fifty dollars, in aid of the vote, Public Works, Recurrent, and Public Works, Extraordinary, for the following items:—
Public Works, Recurrent.
1. Maintenance of buildings... \$8,000
2. Maintenance of roads and bridges in City... 1,000
3. Maintenance of roads and bridges outside City... 2,500
4. Maintenance of telegraphs... 4,500
5. Drainage.
10 Maintenance of sewers, nullahs, &c... 4,400

Lighting
13 Gas Lighting, Kowloon... 350
Miscellaneous
16 Maintenance of Public Cemetery... 400
19 Miscellaneous services... 1,000
20 Typhoon and rainstorm damages... 66,800
Water Works
23 Maintenance of Shaukiwan... 250
25 Do. Lai Chi Kok... 400
\$89,700

PUBLIC WORKS, EXTRAORDINARY.
Drainage
14 raining nullahs... 4,000
Miscellaneous
23 Miscellaneous works... 7,000
Water Works
26 Miscellaneous water works... 550
Sanitary property resumption... 2,000
Total... \$104,050

THE HULK "HYGIEA."
A sum of three hundred dollars in aid of the vote, Medical Department, B.—Hospitals and asylums, infectious hospitals, hospital hulk *Hygiea*; other charges, provisions, &c.

SECRET SERVICE.
A sum of three hundred and forty-three dollars in aid of the vote, Police and Prison Departments, A.—Police, other charges, secret service.

NEW TERRITORIES ROADS.
A sum of four thousand one hundred and eighty-four dollars in aid of the vote, Public Works, Extraordinary, communications, new roads in New Territories.

FIRE BRIGADE.
A sum of two hundred and ninety dollars in aid of the vote, Police and Prison Departments, B.—Fire Brigade, other charges, typhoon damages.

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT.
A sum of twenty-five dollars in aid of the vote, Police and Prison Department, C.—Prison, other charges, executioners' fees, and allowances for inflicting corporal punishment.

FORESTRY IN NEW TERRITORIES.
A sum of one thousand dollars in aid of the vote, Botanical and Forestry Department, other charges, forestry in New Territories.

HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
A sum of two hundred and eighty dollars in aid of the vote, Harbour Master's Department, A.—Harbour Office, other charges, electric fans and light.

POLICE INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.
A sum of one thousand one hundred dollars in aid of the vote, Police and Prison Departments, A.—Police, other charges, for the following items:—
Conveyance of police, prisoners and transport... \$850
Incidental expenses... 250
Total... \$1,100

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.
A sum of five hundred dollars in aid of the vote, Colonial Secretary's Department and Legislature, Other Charges, incidental expenses.

THE HULK "HYGIEA."
A sum of one thousand four hundred and eighty-two dollars in aid of the vote, Medical Department, B.—Hospitals and asylums, infectious hospitals, hospital hulk *Hygiea*, other charges, provisions, &c.

REPAIRS TO LAUNCH.
A sum of four hundred and fifty-six dollars in aid of the vote, Medical Departments A.—S.S. &c., other charges, Health Officer of Port, repairs to launch.

THAT WAS ALL THE BUSINESS.

NEW POST OFFICE.

SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS MADE.

In his annual report for 1906, Mr. Chatham says:—The foundations were finally completed on the site handed over to Messrs. Sang Lee & Co. contractors, for the superstructure, on the 23rd January. Substantial progress was made by the close of the year, the walls generally having been built to ground floor level or higher, and the piers of verandahs to 6 feet above ground floor level. About half the steel girders and joists for carrying the ground floor were placed in position and the door and window frames were fixed. Of the balustrade for verandah balustrades, which are being made of granite, 1,000 were moulded by the close of the year. In the case of this building also, great damage was done to the scaffolding by the typhoon and a temporary roof which had been erected over a considerable portion of the site was entirely destroyed, much of the material being blown into the harbour.

KOWLOON POST OFFICE.
A contract for this work was let in February and the building was opened for the transaction of business in September. It is a small one-story building situated in Salisbury Road containing a public office 31 feet by 30 feet with a counter for the sale of stamps, &c.; clerk's and postmaster's offices, servants' quarters, lavatories, &c.

It is the first building to be erected for postal purposes in Kowloon, the business of the post office, since one was opened, having been conducted in a building rented from the Godown Co.

POST OFFICE, SHANGHAI.
This work, which consisted of considerable extensions to the Post Office building, was reported as completed in December. As it was carried out practically independently of the Public Works Department, being under the charge of the Surveyor to H. M. Board of Works, Shanghai, it is not possible to refer to it in any detail. The total cost, inclusive of a fee of \$1,000 to the Board of Works Surveyor, was \$2,815.

CAPTAIN E. T. W. SLADE, R.N., has been appointed Director of Naval Intelligence in succession to Captain C. L. Citty, who has succeeded Sir G. B. Clark as Secretary to the Committee of Imperial Defence. Captain Slade at one time commanded the *Albatross* on the China Station.

HONGKONG SHIPPING
FIRMS BOYCOTTED.

STEAMERS TIED UP AT HAIPHONG.

RICE IMPORT RETARDED.

Authentic news has reached us of a boycott of three Hongkong shipping firms engaged in the Haiphong-Hongkong trade. The boycott has been established by the leading firms of dealers in rice at Haiphong. The Hongkong shipowners affected are Messrs. A. R. Marty & Co., Messrs. Jensen & Co., and Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. All these firms operate regular lines of steamers trading between Hongkong and Haiphong. To arrive at a true appreciation of the boycott our readers must, in the first instance, be given an inkling of the interests concerned in the Hongkong-Haiphong trade. That trade, so far as shipping is concerned, was, as is well-known, initiated by Messrs. A. R. Marty & Co., who, as pioneers, have maintained a fleet of small vessels on the run for the past fifteen years. With the advent of the firm of Messrs. Jensen & Co., and the controlling agencies of several steamers owned in the Continent which they possess, the Germans also placed steamers in competition with the French owners. More recently, the ramifications of the extensive interests of the leading British shipping firm in the East took to also the Tonkin trade, with the result that steamers managed by Messrs. Butterfield and Swire also entered into competition with their predecessors.

It is common knowledge that the rice trade from Annam furnishes the bulk of the outward freight from Haiphong. Until the arrival of B. & S. on the competitive field, rice was carried to Hongkong at 25 cents per picul. This rate of freight suffered a decline on the appearance of the newcomers, so that for a time rice exporters in Haiphong benefited to the extent of a uniform rate of 20 cents per picul. But as the competition operated against the triple shipping interests, a mutual arrangement was arrived at whereby it was agreed to revert to the old freight of 25 cents per picul, and a penalty in case of a breach by any one of the three contracting parties. The pool came into force on the 10th November. Accustomed as the Chinese exporters have been, for a time at any rate, to a cheaper freight, the "Conference" terms did not at all suit them. Hence the determination to boycott the regular liners. In fixing the rate at 25 cents, the "pool" did no more than revert to the old figures, and any charge of an extortionate tariff cannot therefore be sustained against them.

The first steamer to be boycotted, as we are informed, was the B. & S.'s *Singon*. No freight has been offered her, Messrs. Jensen & Co., in the ordinary course, sent down their boat, which, on arrival at Haiphong, also failed to secure a return cargo of rice. Then Marty & Co. despatched their favourite freighter—the *S. Hongkong*, which also came in for the same treatment at the French port. Three steamers are thus lying idle at Haiphong since the 20th inst. in the absence of cargo for the return voyage. This is all the more remarkable from the fact that at this time of year, there is in normal times a cargo of from 10,000 to 20,000 piculs of rice arriving daily at Haiphong from the interior for export. On the accumulation of heavy stocks, we should imagine, the shipowners must be for the breaking of the back of the boycott.

THE EXPORTERS' ACTICS.
Meanwhile the grain dealers have adopted tactics which certainly go to show their determination to fight the Conference. Their plan is commended for its ingenious practical common sense. Fortunately for them the stagnant condition of the local freight market enabled them to negotiate for tonnage on a basis to encourage their opposition against the "liners." The Shun Tai hong of rice merchants at Haiphong, through their Hongkong agents, the Po Hing Tai, a leading local firm of rice dealers, have successfully negotiated a rate of 20 cents per picul for the superstructure of two steamers having not yet definitely transpired, but at least the rate at 20 cents per picul of rice holding one and one-third piculs we think we are not far from the exact rate at which the bargain was closed. By comparison, the grain exporters have undoubtedly secured very advantageous terms to themselves, viz., 10 cents for 10 piculs of cargo against the Conference rate of 25 cents.

What the attitude of the "pool" may be towards the exporters' plan of campaign it has not been possible to discover. It is not probable that the rate of 20 cents per picul should not be regarded as a concession, but it is a concession in which rice freight on grain may, possibly, be brought down to 10 cents and to 10 cents it is necessary to squelch the native chartered. In the meantime two more steamers proceed to Haiphong to-day; they are the *Moithide* and the *Hamid* of Jensen & Co., and Marty & Co., respectively. Much, of course, will depend upon the combined deliberations of the representatives at Haiphong of the Hongkong firm whose interests are in the hands of Messrs. Denis F. Mars for Butterfield and Swire, Speidel & Co. for Jensen & Co., and Marty & Co. for their head office at Hongkong.

There are considerations, however, which should influence the course in a very material manner. We shall briefly summarise them. The Hongkong market for grain demands immediate import from Annam. The accumulated stocks in the interior are of the old crop and must find prompt outlet, owing to the fact that the present year's crop is another abundant one. And, lastly, the forthcoming Chinese festivals in December demand an ample provision for the anticipated consumption of the tens of thousands of visitors. All these circumstances point to the immediate shipment of rice out of Annam in the favourable conditions of the consuming markets are to be expected, and it is in favour of the regular liners that single-trip tonnage will not be available for the enormous quantity of rice now awaiting shipment out of Haiphong. There is confidence, therefore, that the boycott deadlock will not be of long duration.

Telegrams.

[Paris.]

The French in Africa.

London, 26th November.

The French lost 8 killed in the Benin-son attack.

Fighting was renewed yesterday, and the troops are pursuing the tribesmen to the mountains.

Bad Weather in England.

Heavy snowstorms have occurred in the North Midlands, and a whirlwind in East Kent has severely damaged the farm buildings and orchards.

Later.

Germany.

At the opening of the Prussian Diet, the speech from the Throne announces a less favourable financial situation, and a deficit is anticipated in consequence of the large increase for railway expenditure.

The Russian Navy.

The Russian Government pays the Vickers Maxim Co. £400,000 for the plans of 20,000-ton battleships, with a speed of 20 knots, to be constructed in Russia.

NEW WESTERN MARKET.

BUILDINGS OFFICIALLY DESCRIBED.

This building was completed and handed over to the Sanitary Board in July, reports the Director of Public Works. It consists of two main floors for market purposes, accommodation being provided for the Inspector and coolies by the construction of mezzanine floors at the north and south ends. The ground floor contains 12 large poultry shops, a poultry killing room, a large store, engine room, Inspector's office, and latrines, and the first floor 14 shops and 67 stalls for the sale of fish and two apartments for the storage of live fish. There are four wide granite staircases giving access to the first floor and ample entrances are provided, near which there are money-changers' stalls.

The engine room contains an oil engine and pump for pumping water from a well into two large tanks, with a capacity of 21,000 gallons, on the roof of the building, whence it is drawn for cleaning purposes.

The lighting of the market is by Kison lights, 6 lamps of 50 candle-power being provided on each floor. The quarters and some of the subsidiary parts of the building are lighted by gas.

The walls are of Canton red brick faced externally with Amoy bricks and having a deep plinth of 4 dressings of granite. They are finished internally with a dado of white glazed tiles ranging from 4 feet to 5 feet in height, above the level of which they are pointed with lime mortar and whitewashed. The floors are of cement concrete, supported where necessary on cast iron columns and steel beams and the roof is covered with double pin and roll tiling on steel trusses and purlins.

The total cost, including piled foundations, fittings, lighting, water supply, &c., was \$172,567.45.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

MACAO'S BOUNDARIES.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 27th November, 1907.

On receipt of the many telegrams from the Cantonese in the province and abroad, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at Peking has given telegraphic instructions to Viceroy Chang to depute a weiyuan to define the exact boundaries between the district of Heungshan and the Portuguese colony of Macao, and to submit plans to the Waiwupu showing the alleged differences in the delimitation of the boundaries.

A LOI G PENDING ACTION.

With reference to the case of Messrs. Chan Lun Tai & Co., late contractors for the construction of the new bund, and whose properties were seized and confiscated by order of ex-Viceroy Chow Fu, and whose managers were arrested, on a charge of failing to carry out the contract to the satisfaction of the Government and for alleged irregularities on their part in connection with the rendering of accounts, etc., the contractors on several occasions petitioned the ex-Viceroy and the present Viceroy, for judgment in the case, but the case remained unsettled until now. H. E. Chang instructed the officials of the Bunding Department to investigate the case in order to settle it at an early date. On completion of their investigations, the officials forwarded a report to the Viceroy stating that, upon a minute examination of the accounts pertaining to the contract, it was found that there still remains a balance of twenty thousand odd dollars due to the contractors. In accordance with the report, H. E. has given instructions to the Shan Hou Chu officials, together with the officials of the Bunding Bureau, to deal with the case and bring this long-standing matter to a satisfactory conclusion.

M. CHAS. HARDOUIN AT CANTON.

Yesterday, Monsieur Charles Hardouin, a member of the Council of the French Indo-China Government, accompanied by the French Consul-General at this port, again paid a visit to the headquarters of the Anti-Opium League, where they were received most cordially by the committee of that institution. The visitors greatly admired the management and working of the institution, and M. Hardouin remarked that there were numerous Chinese opium-smokers residing in Annam, and also promised to try and follow the example of this institution to prohibit opium-smoking in Annam, when he returns there, and to open refuges for the treatment of opium-smoking patients. After a conversation with the committee of the Association, they were

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION.

LORD ELGIN'S THANKS.

A DIFFICULT AND LABORIOUS INVESTIGATION.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council this afternoon, the Colonial Secretary laid on the table the following despatch from the Secretary of State, by command of his Excellency the Governor:

Downing Street, 18th October, 1907.

Sir,—In the absence of your predecessor, the Officer Administering the Government submitted to me the report of the Commission appointed to consider the administration of the sanitary regulations of Hongkong.

Certain questions arising out of the Commission's report have already formed the subject of references to me, and I have no doubt that other matters discussed by them are now engaging your attention. In the meantime, I take this opportunity of requesting that you will express to the members of the Commission my appreciation of the careful and thorough manner in which they conducted what was evidently a difficult and laborious investigation.—I have, &c.

ELGIN.

Governor Sir F. D. LUGARD, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., &c., &c., &c.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

SURVEY AND PRELIMINARY WORK.

Reference is made in the D.P.W.'s report to the Kowloon-Canton Railway as follows:—Messrs. Bruce and Valpy, having completed the survey and setting out of the line, left the Colony on the 24th February. As mentioned in last year's report, the work of constructing the section between Tai Po and Lo Fu Ferry was undertaken by the Public Works Department on the 9th December, 1905, the intention being that this portion of the railway route should be used as a road until the progress of the remainder of the work required it to be devoted to railway purposes. Work was actively carried on until the 18th May when it was stopped at the request of Mr. G. W. Eves, who had arrived in the Colony on the 24th March to assume charge of the railway work, and the Public Works Department ceased to have anything further to do with constructional operations. At the time of suspending work, the following was the position of affairs:—

COMPLETED TO FORMATION LEVEL.
13,500 lineal feet (2.58 miles) of embankment.
90 (0.17 ") cutting.

PARTLY EXECUTED.
3,000 lineal feet (0.57 mile) of embankment.
400 (0.07 ") cutting.

In addition to the foregoing, channels of a total length of about half a mile had been excavated for the purpose of diverting streams and obviating the crossing and re-crossing of them by the railway, and sundry minor works had been executed.

ROBBERY AT EAST POINT.

HOME OF REV. MR. DONE ENTERED.

Before Mr. F. A. Hazeldan, at the Magistrate's office, this morning, five men—two of whom were houseboys employed on the premises—were arraigned on charges of entering No. 2, Morrison Hill—the residence of Rev. Mr. Done—on the morning of the 21st instant and committing robbery therein.

From the evidence adduced it would appear that on the night of the 21st instant three men called on the two "boys" and were invited to stay overnight. In the morning, when the cook—Kan Ju Pun—had gone to market the three men, with the assistance of the "boys," forced an entrance into his room, and, breaking open a trunk, removed \$137.50 in cash and about 150 worth of clothing. Having accomplished this the stuff was removed into the kitchen, where a discussion took place as to the best means of throwing the police off the scent. It was then decided to gag and bind the two "boys," who would be the first to be suspected of the theft. This was done, and the three strangers left with the loot. About an hour later Rev. Mr. Done, who had been waiting for his early morning tea, and not hearing a sound below, went to investigate and found his two "boys" tied to a bench. The police at No. 2 Police Station were instantly notified, and Sergeant Lee proceeded to make inquiries. Arriving in the kitchen the sergeant had fully made up his mind that the "innocent" looking "boys" were not so innocent as they appeared, and, standing to one side, he requested the "boys" to unbind themselves. Curious to relate both "boys" spat out their gags at once. Then they started to free themselves. One of the "boys" succeeded, but the other, who was more securely bound than his comrade, failed. He was, however, released by the sergeant, and both were arrested on suspicion. They were detained in custody until yesterday when they confessed to having taken part in the robbery and gave such information which led to the arrest of the three others at Yau-mat-ti, and the recovery of part of the stolen property.

The evidence was conclusive, and his Worship sent each man to gaol for six weeks and ordered them to be exposed in the stocks for six hours.

A considerable excess expenditure was incurred in 1906 under the heading "New Roads in New Territories," which was largely applied to the construction of the railway between Tai Po and Lo Fu Ferry, the intention being to utilize the route as a road until it became necessary to lay the rails for the railway, but, as a sum of \$37,402.00 was refunded from the Railway Loan Account, the amount appearing as public works expenditure was correspondingly reduced. Two sums of \$5,000 and \$1,500 respectively were contributed by the Military authorities towards the extension of the Kowloon City Road, in the direction of Canton Pass and the improvement of the road to Kowloon Park and these amounts also do not appear as public works expenditure.

SIR PAUL CHATER'S MINES.

PROSPECTING IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

In his report for 1906, the Director of Public Works writes:—An Ordinance authorizing the issue of prospecting licences, mining licences and mining leases was passed in June and regulations with reference to the same were published in August. Prospecting licences were issued to Sir C. P. Chater during the year for various parts of the New Territories and one mining lease for an area of one square mile, at Ma On Shan, on the south shore of Tolo Harbour, was granted to the same gentleman. The lease authorities the working of deposits of iron ore, which were discovered there in the course of prospecting operations.

TRAGIC END OF A BOAT WOMAN.

INQUIRY AT THE MAGISTRACY.

The death of Wong Kan, a sampan woman, twenty years of age, who was killed in the harbour on the morning of the 15th instant through a collision, was inquired into at the Magistrate's office this afternoon, by Mr. F. A. Hazeldan, sitting as Coroner, and a jury comprising Messrs. A. C. W. Neldi, Thomas Neave and G. S. Forsyth.

Leung Young, the master of the Ju Y. No. 305, was the first witness examined. He stated that at about seven o'clock on the morning in question, he was lying alongside the steamer *Singan*. The Harbour-master's launch *Lily* came up from astern and in attempting to get alongside the steamer she struck the junk's stern, the strapping snapped, and the junk fell and struck deceased on the temple, killing her.

The Coroner—Who was Wong Kan?

Witness—The wife of Leung Kan, a foki on board.

Was not a strong wind blowing at the time?

No.

Was not wind and tide contrary to the launch?

What about the tide?—There was little tide.

Leung Kan, the husband of deceased, gave corroborative evidence.

F. McIvor, boarding officer attached to the Harbour department, was on board the *Lily* at the time of the tragedy. He said that on that morning the launch steamed alongside the starboard gangway of the *Singan*. On leaving the vessel, wind and tide being contrary, the *Lily* was put ahead, instead of astern. Cargo-boat 305 was made fast to the starboard bow of the ship and two of her stern oars were in the water, obstructing the launch from leaving the ship. Coming within six feet of the ladder, where they entered the water, the *Lily* was shoved clear of the *Singan* with a boat hook, clearing the inner oar. The launch had just started to move when she struck the outside oar under water. The engines were reversed, but before anything could be done she snapped the strapping and the oar dropped.

The Coroner—Causing the oar to strike the deceased.

Witness—I did not see that. In fact I did not see anyone near it. I heard a noise and went on board the junk and saw a number of persons holding up a woman's head.

Was she dead then?

You went for a doctor?

Witness, proceeding, said that when he returned with a doctor the junk had left. She was later found alongside the playground, outside the Harbour Office, with the woman on board, dead.

The Coroner—I want your opinion as to these oars. There oars are very long?—Yes, between 3 and 40 feet.

Is it a practice to take in these oars when not in use?—It is done in some cases, but in the majority of cases it is not done. These oars should be taken in when alongside a ship or wharf. Not only do they cause an obstruction, but they are dangerous both to those on board and passing vessels.

Is it an offence to leave the oars dipping in the water?—No, but it should be made an offence.

By a juryman—When you struck the oar was the launch moving?—It was just moving.

Owing to wind and tide you found it impossible to go astern when leaving the *Singan*?

Yes.

The Coroner—Was the *Lily*, in your opinion, hindered in a seamanlike manner?—Yes.

Have you anything more to add?—I might add that the coxswain of the *Lily* has been employed by the Harbour department for about twenty-four years.

Dr. C. M. Healey, officer in charge of the public mortuary, certified that death was due to concussion of the brain.

A verdict of accidental death was returned.

The P. and O. Company's s.s. *Indra*, which left London on 25th ult., took the following specie for Hongkong:—Bar Silver £6,000; Hongkong dollars silver £15,450.

LEUNG PING NAM, a shop coolie, residing at 5, Wanchai Road, lost control of his temper early yesterday morning and as a result he behaved himself in a manner which, as it will be seen, proved rather expensive. At about two a.m. yesterday Leung, it appears, walked up to a vehicle stand in Queen's Road to engage a ricksha to proceed to his home. Most of the coolies refused to accept the fare, as did Kwok Yuen, the puller of vehicle 755. This annoyed Leung, and he swiped the latter's coolie over the head with his umbrella several times. Cries of "Police" went up, and Leung was arrested. Kwok accompanying him to press the charge.

At the Station, Kwok lodged a charge of assault, and the Indian constable a charge of disorderly conduct against Leung. Inspector Smith listened to all Kwok had to say and as he was leaving the charge-room called for his ricksha licence. He had none, and was detained with Leung, who some hours later was released on \$15 bail. He did not put in an appearance at the Police Court yesterday when the case was called and his bail was forfeited. Kwok was fined \$5 for playing a ricksha without a licence.

KOWLOON WATERWORKS.

FAIR PROGRESS RECORDED.

According to the Public Works report for 1906, fair progress was made with the various sections of the work with the exception of the 7 1/2 dam which continued to progress very slowly. Operations were, however, sufficiently advanced to admit of turning into the mains on the 24th March some of the streams intercepted by the catchwater and clearwater channel, thus augmenting the supply to the extent of at least 75,000 gallons per day. The further progress made during the year enabled water to be impounded in the reservoir and, by the adoption of some temporary expedients, a filtered supply, sufficient for the needs of the whole of the Kowloon Peninsula, was turned on on the 24th December, 1906, thus superseding the original works for the supply of Kowloon, which came into operation on the 24th December, 1895, or exactly 11 years earlier.

RESERVOIR.

The height of the main dam was increased by 18 feet during the year bringing it to an average height of 418 feet above Ordnance Datum or 30 feet below overflow level. The following are the quantities of material used in its construction during the year:—

Cement concrete, 6,500 cubic yards.
Rubble masonry facework, 400 " "

Asphalt, 9,500 " "

The pipes and valves were fixed in the valve well and culvert during the wet season, thus enabling water to be impounded in the reservoir for the supply of the Peninsula during the dry season.

The excavation for the byewash dam and channel was practically completed in October and a commencement was made, towards the end of the year, with the concrete and masonry work.

TUNNELS, SITE FOR FILTER BEDS, &c.

This work was completed by the Wing On Firm in the summer. The laying of 18" main for conveying the water from the gauge basin to supply Kowloon was completed on the 24th March rendering available from that date, as already mentioned, the water derived from the clearwater channel and from a portion of the catchwater. The pipes for the 10" main connecting the storage reservoir with the gauge basin at the head of the 18" main did not arrive until the end of the year, so, to avoid delay in rendering the water stored available, temporary connections were made enabling the water to be passed to the Filter beds on the 21st December and supplied to Kowloon a few days later.

A supplementary contract had been entered into in December, 1905, with the Wing On firm for the construction of three filter beds each of about 800 square yards area. The actual construction of these beds was completed before the end of 1905, except as regards the forming of the necessary connections, the pipes, and fittings for which had not arrived from England. Recourse was therefore had to temporary wooden troughs through which the water was conveyed to filter bed No. 3 and passed from it into the 18" main, a regular supply of filtered water to Kowloon being thus commenced on the 24th December.

CATCHWATER AND CLEARWATER CHANNEL.

The clearwater channel was completed in January and connections made to the large stream at 1,400 feet on the catchwater and to the stream taking the water from the southern portion of the catchment area. This water could not, however, be made available for the supply of Kowloon until March owing to the delay in getting the main laid under the contract for the tunnel and filter beds site.

The catchwater was completed up to 5,900 feet by the end of the year and work on the remaining portion was well advanced. The raising of the Tai Po Road alongside the reservoir and a bridge across the discharge channel from the catchwater, which were also included in this contract, were completed in August.

DISTRIBUTION WORKS.

An 8" main was laid in Gascoigne Road, connecting to the Yaumati distribution system by a 4" temporary main and extending along Des Voeux Road as far as Bulkeley Street, Hungghom. The Gascoigne Road section constitutes an addition to the system, but the Des Voeux Road section only supersedes an old 5" main, which was in turn taken up and relaid as far as Station Street, superseding an old 3" main. A 4" main was laid along Temple Street, Yaumati, from Waterloo Road to Market Street; a 5" main from Station Street North to Ship Lane, Taihook, and a 4" main in Ship Lane. These all constitute extensions of the distribution system.

The above included the laying of:—
4,100 feet 8" cast iron pipes.
2,300 " 5" "
3,000 " 4" "

Fire hydrants to the number of 22 were fixed on the new mains.

HONGKONG PIERS.

LEASES DURING LAST YEAR.

During last year the right of erecting piers under long leases was granted in 3 cases in Hongkong, 10 in Kowloon and 1 in the New Territories whilst extensions of three piers formerly sanctioned—two in Hongkong and one in Kowloon—were also granted. The premia derived from the above in Hongkong amounted to \$29,875.00, in Kowloon to \$76,149.50 and in New Territories to \$750, while the annual rentals were \$1,400, \$3,530 and \$90 respectively. Guide piers were sanctioned for the use of the Star Ferry Co. at the approach to their Kowloon pier at an annual rent of \$200. Licences for the following temporary piers for various periods were issued—16 in Hongkong, 15 in Kowloon and 34 in the New Territories, the amount of fees payable for these being \$7,195.75. Licences were also issued for 18 piers in Hongkong, the fees for which amounted to \$1,087.50.

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1907. [1037]

SCHAEFFER'S BLACK FIER.

STEWART PLAYS HIGH JINKS.

A certain steward, belonging to one of the steamers which arrived in port the other day, came ashore last night to enjoy himself. This he did right royally, and just before midnight started to return to his ship. Paying off his ricksha at Blake Pier, the steward, who was in a most hilarious mood, walked up to the policeman on duty on the pier, and, in a most insolent manner, commanded the officer to call him a sampan. Knowing the condition the man was in the officer stepped to the side of the pier and called "Sampan," taking no notice of the stranger. The night being cold few sampans were about, and even those moored off Blake Pier were not at all anxious for a job. "Sampan!" cried the officer again; but he might as well have spoken in the wilderness for all the notice that was taken.

"Did you hear me speak to you just now?" asked the steward; at the same time approaching dangerously near the policeman. "Call me a sampan you English swine!" he shouted.

The officer had not the time to reply before the steward closed on him. There and then a struggle followed. Soon the fighting steward was overpowered and the officer proceeded to remove him to the Central Police Station. For a while he went quietly, but on arriving outside the Hongkong Hotel the humiliation of being under arrest was too great for the steward.

"Look here," he said, turning to one side. "Do you know whom you, a common policeman, nobody, have under arrest. Remove your hands." The hands grasped tighter. "I'm an officer in the army, do you hear? If I had a sword I'd cut you in two."

However, nothing violent followed, and the "army officer" was removed to the lock-up on a charge of disorderly behaviour. Pulling a roll of banknotes from his pocket, the enraged steward applied for bail. The inspector on duty asked him to deposit \$15. This the steward would not do until he received a stamped receipt for his money, but as that rule is not in force at the Central, or, in fact, any police station in the Colony, he was conducted to a cell. Safely landed between the bars the steward threatened to do something dangerous if a light was not placed in his cell, and a pillow for his head. He also wanted a cigarette and last, but not the least, a drink to keep him quiet.

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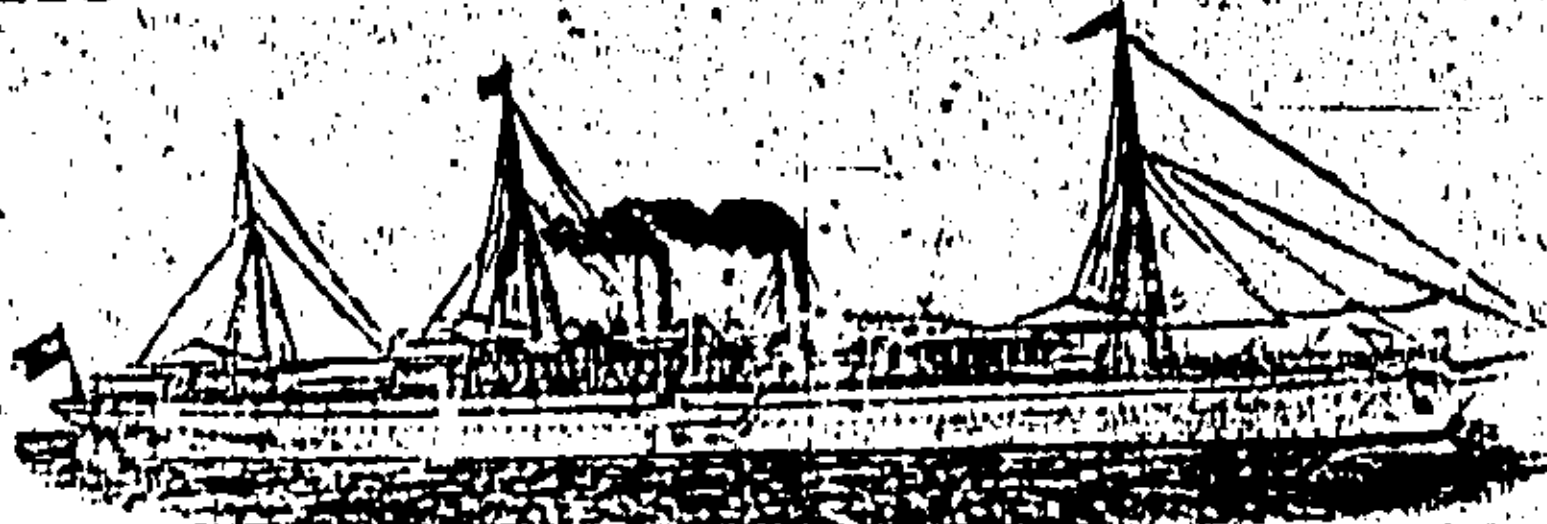
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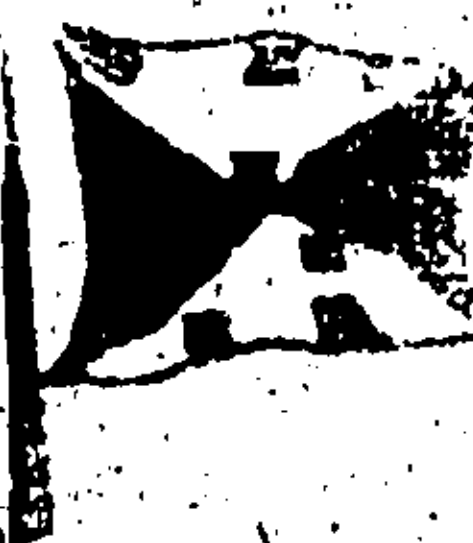
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Hongkong, 28th Nov., 1907.

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THE CONGO ATROCITIES.

RATS THE MISSIONARIES.

Protests by missionaries in the Congo Free State against alleged atrocities under King Leopold's dominion, have been half-hearted and largely as a matter of form, according to Prof. Frederick Starr, of the University of Chicago, who spent a year investigating conditions in the Congo. Prof. Starr declares that some of the missionaries who signed the joint protest in 1906 did so merely because they did not wish to be left out of a general action, and that the protest itself was couched in such mild terms as to cast serious doubts on the authoritativeness of the document.

"This protest tends to become valueless when you consider that the wretched Baptist missionaries who signed it also print in front of their books the portrait of King Leopold and, refer to him in terms of praise," said Prof. Starr last night. "Furthermore, these same missionaries print the laws of the country, Leopold's laws, and urge the blacks to obey them, to accept conditions as they are."

FOUND NO CRUELITIES.

"Missionaries from a large American Presbyterian mission in the Kasai country also signed this protest. As a matter of fact, it is generally known that in the district around their mission there are no atrocities. In fact, this was the country where I went first and expected to spend all my time collecting evidences of cruel treatment of the blacks. But I had to go elsewhere, because I did not find any cruel treatment and I did not want to leave without giving the agitators the benefit of the doubt."

According to Prof. Starr, Richard Harding Davis made his famous trip for Collier's expressly for the purpose of finding what Starr failed to discover, namely, the inhuman treatment of blacks told of by agitators. He says that Davis was not commissioned to make the trip until he (Prof. Starr) came back from his own explorations and refused an offer to write for Collier's. Afterwards he became convinced that he ought to tell the actual conditions he had discovered, and at the instance of the publishers of the Chicago Tribune wrote a series of articles for that newspaper. Then Davis was commissioned to make the trip for Collier's.

PICTURES OF ANCIENT DATE.

Prof. Starr declared that the photographs published in Collier's showing the mutilated blacks were of ancient date and the accompanying stories were misleading. In fact, Richard Harding Davis fares pretty badly at the hands of the anthropological professor. "Political greed on the part of Great Britain, France and Germany is at the bottom of the agitation for reform in the Congo," said Prof. Starr. "As soon as the country is partitioned, if it ever is, these atrocities will strangely cease. The division is well understood, and the proportion each country will get. England will get the district near English Uganda, France the part near the French Congo, and, of course, Germany will get the great Kasai district. However, I see no progress toward a partitioning."

DOUBTS OF OPPRESSION.

Prof. Starr believes that the greater part of the depopulating of villages on which the agitators have dwelt, has not been due to oppression. He says that since tens of thousands of blacks in the British territory have been dying of sleep-sickness, the disease which the agitators claim was fatal because of the weakened condition of the "oppressed black," the cry has ceased.

"As a matter of fact, there are many other causes for the depopulation," he explained. The district or villages will get in a row with the government and all the people will move into English Uganda or the French Congo. May be in a year or two they will get in a row with the other country and back they will come."

Another trip to the Congo and further into the interior is contemplated by Prof. Starr for the near future. He wants to investigate the pigmy, of which he saw little during his first expedition. Furthermore, this time he intends to go clear through the continent.

Intimations.

KUHN & KOMOR'S

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will be RE-OPENED on the 7th inst., at No. 13, QUEEN'S ROAD (under Coburg Hotel).

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Hongkong, 2nd October, 1907. [886]

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Hongkong, 7th March, 1907. [114]

WEATHER-FORCASTS AND

STORM-WARNINGS ISSUED

FROM THE HONGKONG

OBSERVATORY.

METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

Meteorological signals are hoisted on the mast in front of the Water Police Station and Tain Sia Tsai for the information of masters of vessels leaving the port. They do not necessarily imply that bad weather is expected here.

1. A CONE

point upwards

Indicates a Typhoon to the North of the Colony.

2. A CONE

point upwards and a U.M. below

Indicates a Typhoon to the North-East of the Colony.

3. A DRUM

Indicates a Typhoon to the East of the Colony.

4. A CONE

point downwards and a U.M. below

Indicates a Typhoon to the South-East of the Colony.

5. A CONE

point downwards

Indicates a Typhoon to the South of the Colony.

6. A CONE

point downwards and a BALL below

Indicates a Typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.

7. A BALL

Indicates a Typhoon to the West of the Colony.

8. A CONE

point upwards and a BALL below

Indicates a Typhoon to the North-East of the Colony.

Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signal indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

These signals are repeated at the Harbour Office, H.M.S. Tamar, Green Island Signal Mast, and the Flagstaff on the premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company at Kowloon.

URGENT SIGNAL.

In addition to the above, when it is expected that the wind may increase to full typhoon force at any moment, the following URGENT Signal will be made at the Water Police Station, and repeated at the Harbour Office:

THREE EXPLOSIVE BOMBS, AT INTERVALS OF TEN SECONDS.

A Black Cross will be hoisted at the same time, superior to the other shapes.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

The following Night Signals will be exhibited on the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office, Legation, and H.M.S. Tamar.

I. Three Lights Vertical, Green Green Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 300 miles from the Colony.

II. Three Lights Vertical, Green Red Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 300 miles from the Colony.

III. Three Lights Vertical, Red Green Red, indicates that the wind may be expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment.

No. III. Signal will be accompanied by the Explosive Bombs, as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being not published by night.

These Night Signals will be substituted for the Day Signals at sunset, and will, when necessary, be altered during the night.

SUPPLEMENTARY WARNINGS.

For the benefit of Native Craft and passing Ocean Vessels, a Cone will be exhibited at each of the following stations during the time that any of the above Day Signals are hoisted in the Harbour.

Gap Rock. Aberdeen.

Waikou. Sai Ki Wan.

Stanley. Sai Kung.

Cape Collinson. Sha Tin, Kowloon.

Tai Po.

This will indicate that there is a depression somewhere in the China Sea, and that a Storm Warning is hoisted in the Harbour.

Further details can always be given to Ocean Vessels, on demand, by signal from the light houses.

F. G. Fitch, Director.

28th July, 1907.

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. E. S. KADOORIE & Co. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT QUOTATION BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation (new)	40,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,000,000	\$1,797,167	{ £1.15/- for 1 year ending 30.6.07 @ ex 1/2 3/16 = \$16.00	5 1/2 %	\$660 \$655 new issue. London 7/6
National Bank of China, Limited	10,025	£7	£6	£12,735	\$71,293	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1907	...	\$5 1/2
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	£250	£50	\$1,560,000	none	\$20 for 1906	8 1/2 %	\$250
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	£125,000	Tls. 204 4/4	{ Final of 7/6 per share making in all 15/- for 1906 = Tls. 2.65	4 1/2 %	Tls. 85 buyers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	12,400	£250	£100	\$456,407	£1,460,400	{ Final of \$12 making \$42 for 1905 and interim of 13/- for 1906	5 1/2 %	\$760 ex. and b.
Yantai Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	£100	£60	\$80,000	£394,520	{ 1/- for year ending 31.12.07	7 1/2 %	\$157 1/2 buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	£100	£20	\$20,000	\$362,980	{ 4/- and bonus \$2 for 1907	9 %	\$88 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	£250	£50	\$1,250,000	£435,236	{ \$40 for 1905	12 1/2 %	\$320
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	£25	£2 1/2	\$7,500	\$365	{ 1/- for 1906	6 1/2 %	\$15
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	10,000	£50	£50	\$50,000	Nil	{ \$4 for year ending 30.6.07	10 1/2 %	\$38 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	10,000	£15	£15	\$150,000	£27,101	{ 3/- for 1st half year ending 30.6.07	6 1/2 %	\$30 buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)	10,000	£5	£5	\$50,000	£3,094	{ 5/- for 1906 @ ex 2/24 = \$1.4 per share	3 1/2 %	{ \$40 sellers \$28 sellers
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 5,000	Tls. 13,327	{ Interim of Tls. 1 1/2 for account 1907	17 1/2 %	Tls. 44 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	100,000	£1	£1	\$1,000,000	£72,370	{ Interim of 1/- (Coupon No. 8 for a/c 1907	4 1/2 %	Tls. 50 sales
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	£10	£10	\$100,000	£137	{ \$1.00 for year ending 30.4.1907	4 1/2 %	\$21 buyers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	10,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 500,000	£8,730	{ Final of Tls. 2 making Tls. 6 for 1906	12 1/2 %	Tls. 48 buyers
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	£100	£100	\$200,000	£9,218	{ 8/- for year ending 31.12.06	8 %	\$100
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	£100	£100	\$70,000	none	{ 1/- for 1907	...	\$10 buyers
Penk Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 350,000	Tls. 8,935	{ Tls. 4 (8 1/2) for year ending 31.8.06	4 1/2 %	Tls. 85 sellers
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	100,000	£1	£1	\$1,000,000	£12,546	{ Final of 1/6 (No. 9) for 1907	7 1/2 %	Tls. 144 buyers
Rail Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	50,000	£1	£1	\$50,000	£11,358	{ No. 17 of 1/- = 48 cents	...	18 1/2
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Gen.) & Co., Limited	18,000	£25	£25	\$450,000	£10,335	{ \$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	12 1/2 %	\$14
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	10,000	£50	£50	\$500,000	£3,047	{ Interim of \$2 for six months ending June 30th 1907	6 %	65
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	10,000	£50	£50	\$500,000	£491,580	{ \$4 for 1st half year ending June 30th, 1907	8 1/2 %	\$97 1/2 buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 5,570,000	£10,459	{ Tls. 3 for year ending 30th April 1907	4 1/2 %	Tls. 71 buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 3,600,000	£11,23,117	{ Interim of Tls. 8 for account 1907	9 %	Tls. 200 sales
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 2,500,000	Tls. 3,388	{ Tls. 6 for 14 1/2 months ending 28.2.07	6 %	Tls. 102 1/2
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	10,000	£25	£25	\$250,000	£10,908	{ \$2 1/2 for year ending 30.6.07	11 1/2 %	\$20 buyers
Central Stores, Limited	50,123	£15	£15	\$751,845	£19,178	{ \$1.80 for 1906	13 1/2 %	\$14 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	£50	£50	\$600,000	£10,925	{ \$4 for 1st half year ending 30.6.07	10 %	\$100 buyers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	£100	£100	\$5,000,000	£56,218	{ Interim of \$3 1/2 for half year ending 30.6.07	7 1/2 %	\$95
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	£10	£10	\$1,500,000	£11,567	{ 80 cents for 1906	7 1/2 %	\$10 1/2 buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	£50	£50	\$300,000	£1,089	{ \$2 1/2 for 1906	7 %	\$35
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 3,900,000	£11,61,978	{ Interim of Tls. 3 for account 1907	7 1/2 %	Tls. 100 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	£50	£50	\$625,000	£11,519	{ Interim of \$2 for half year ending June 30th	8 1/2 %	\$48
COTTON MILLS.								
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 750,000	Tls. 64,986	{ Tls. 10 for year ended 31.10.1906	20 %	Tls. 50
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	15,000	£10	£10	\$150,000	£14,169	{ 50 cents for year ending 31.7.07	5 %	\$10
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 750,000	Tls. 36,211	{ Tls. 6 for year ended 30.6.06 (8 1/2 %)	...	Tls. 50 buyers
Lau-kung-ming Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 800,000	Tls. 31,469	{ Tls. 8 for 1906	10 %	Tls. 80 sellers
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	10,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 5,000,000	Tls. 50,663	{ Tls. 50 for 1906	...	Tls. 280 sellers
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	£12 1/2	£12 1/2	\$107,550	£638	{ 1 1/2 per share for 1906	9 %	16 1/2
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	£10	£10	\$12,000	£653	{ \$3 for 1905	...	\$10 buyers
China-Borneo Company, Limited	10,000	£12	£12	\$120,000	Nil	{ \$1 for 1904	...	\$10 buyers
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 200,000	Tls. 289	{ Final of Tls. 5 making Tls. 10 for 1905	...	16
China Light and Power Company, Limited	10,000	£10	£10	\$100,000	£25,000	{ 60 cents for year ended 12.2.06	...	16
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	100,000	£10	£10	\$1,000,000	£185	{ 80 cents for 1906	8 1/2 %	\$8 1/2
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	£7 1/2	£6	\$187,500	£2,974	{ \$1.50 for year ending 31.7.07	8 %	\$16 1/2 buyers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	£10	£10	\$4,000,000	£10,804	{ Interim of 50 cents per share for a/c 1907	9 %	\$11 buyers
Hall & Holt, Limited	31,000	£20	£20	\$620,000	£15,002	{ \$2 1/2 for year ending 28.2.07	11 1/2 %	\$21 buyers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	£10	£10	\$600,000	£2,953	{ 1 per share for year ending 28.2.07	6 1/2 %	\$15
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	£25	£25	\$125,000	£4,361	{ Interim of \$4 for 1 year ending June 30th '07	9 1/2 %	\$240
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	50,000	£10	£10	\$500,000	£4,272	{ Interim of 80 cents per share for a/c 1907	8 %	\$8 1/2
Matschappij tot Mijn. Bosch- en Landbouwerij op de Lantak, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 2,500,000	Tls. 10,374	{ Third interim of Tls. 7 1/2 making Tls. 22 1/2 for a/c 1907	9 %	Tls. 337 1/2 buyers
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	£10	£10	\$250,000	£2,655	{ \$1 per share for period from 19th Oct. to 30th Apr. '07	8 1/2 %	\$21 buyers
Peak Tramways Company (new)	50,000	£10	£10	\$500,000	...	...	...	\$2 buyers
Philippine Company, Limited	67,500	£10	£10	\$675,000	Dr. P. 34,324	{ None	...	\$5 buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 1,200,000	Tls. 7,990	{ Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for account 1907	7 1/2 %	Tls. 107 sales
Shanghai Horse Bazaar Co., Ltd.	5,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 270,000	Tls. 9,751	{ Tls. 4 for 1905	...	Tls. 36 buyers
Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 450,000	Tls. 3,354	{ Final of Tls. 5 and Tls. 10 for 1906	...	Tls. 65 buyers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 600,000	Tls. 7,843	{ Interim of Tls. 5 for a/c 1907	9 %	Tls. 114 sales
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	16,350	£20	£20	\$327,000	Tls. 85,592	{ Interim of 15/- for account 1907 (old)	...	Tls. 335 buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	£25	£25	\$150,000	Dr. 84,934	{ Interim of 1 1/3 for account 1907 (new)	...	\$15 buyers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	£5	£5	\$100,000	£478	{ 40 cents for year ending 31.5.7	6 1/2 %	\$5 1/2
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 200,000	Tls. 201	{ Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 30.4.07	...	Tls. 97
Union Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	£10	£10	\$500,000	£349	{ First year	...	\$11
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,000	£10	£10	\$100,000	£1,360	{ 80 cents on 9,000 ord. shares and 31.8.07 on 100 Founders shares (for 1/2, cash, 31.5.07)	8 %	\$80
Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited	50,000	£10	£10	\$500,000	£5,482	{ Interim of 30 cents for account 1907	7 1/2 %	\$10 1/2 ex div.
William Powell, Limited	15,000	£10	£10	\$150,000	£41	{ Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1905	...	\$5 1/2 buyers

* These shares are entitled to half of the profits.

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The S.S. "POLYNESIE," Captain Broc will be despatched for MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 10th December, at 1 P.M.

This steamer connects at Colombo with the Australian line s.s. "Ville de la Ciotat," bound for Marseilles via Bombay and Aden.

Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports.

Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.

Next sailings will be at follows:—

S.S. "TOURANE" ... 24th Dec.

S.S. "ARMAND BEHIC" ... 7th Jan. 1908.

S.S. "SALAZIE" ... 21st Jan. 1908.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1907. (10)

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Hongkong, 5th October, 1907. (64)

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICA and SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship "DEVANHA," Captain T. H. Hild, R.M.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 30th November, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports, in connection with the Company's S.S. "Himalaya," 7,000 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Ten for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "Arabia," due in London on 11th January, 1908.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1907. (1)

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